

GREAT NAVAL TEST
PROVES A SUCCESSSHELLS OF MONITOR
ARKANSASAre Fired Point Blank at
the Monitor FloridaArmor is Cracked But
Turrets Are Not Ren-
dered Useless—Men
Would Not Suffer.

Fort Monroe, May 27.—On the broad waters of Hampton Roads not far from the place where 46 years ago the Monitor and the Merrimack riddled each other with shot and shell, two modern monitors engaged today in a bloodless contest in the interest of naval science. The monitor Arkansas, of 3225 tons, fired six shots at her sister ship, the Florida, each of which was accurately aimed and effective. One of the shots fired by the Arkansas was a 12-inch projectile loaded with a new high explosive. This shot struck the port plate of the Florida's turret just a little to the side of a dummy gun which had been placed in position to take the place of the regular 12 inch gun. This shot smashed the 12-inch armor protecting the front of the turret and also badly loosened the armor seams on the side of the turret.

The naval experts declared after the shot that the test had been highly successful. The force of the 12-inch high explosive shell had been entirely spent in crushing the armor plate and the cloth screen placed inside the turret ports showed no damage, indicating that none of the fragments of the exploding shell had entered the turret ports and showing as Chief Constructor Washington Capps declared, that if anyone had been in the turret at the time the powerful projectile struck he would not have been injured. The only occupant of the turret was a dummy man arranged with springs and wires to record the shock. He was standing at the breach of one of the 12-inch guns and was unhurt.

Five shots, from the four inch and 12 inch guns of the Arkansas, were also fired at the experimental military mast on the stern of the Florida, but it withstood the ordeal. Several of the steel rods composing it were severed by the shells but its stability was not lessened by the shots.

The purpose of the tests was to determine the effect of powerful gun fire under modern battle conditions. On the fire control system, the turret mechanism and other internal fittings of the ship. As soon as the 12 inch shell exploded against the Florida's turret, Chief Constructor Washington L. Capps and Rear Admiral Mason, chief of the bureau of ordnance, made a complete examination of the turret. They found that the turret could be operated as before the shot and the 12 inch gun which was to a certain extent shielded from the effect of the explosion could be elevated and depressed as well as before the shot was fired. In other words, while the projectile smashed the port plate, the gear forming the turret, handling the guns and ammunition was not damaged.

It was the first time in the history of the United States navy that an actual condition of warfare has been reproduced for experimental purposes. The day was ideal, the sun shining brightly and the sea was as smooth as a mill pond.

Several days prior to the test the Florida was towed out to Thimble Light Shoal and was anchored fore and aft about midway between Cape Charles and Cape Henry. The Arkansas took a position about 350 yards westward so that the shots after passing through the Florida's military mast would fall into the open sea.

The Florida had her bow headed northeast. She had been out of com-

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SERVICE BOARD
WILL ADVERTISE
FOR LIGHT BIDS

The conference between City Solicitor Blake and the members of the board of public service on the lighting question was held Wednesday morning and to avoid any further litigation it was decided that the board should re-advertise for bids for the lighting of the city with electricity, gas and gasoline. An arrangement was entered into with Spencer S. Weart, of the Sun Vapor Lighting company, by which his company agreed to continue their lighting until the matter was definitely settled. This company still lights a portion of the city with 412 gas and gasoline lights.

The Northern Ohio Traction company was notified to replank the bridge at Navarre street within twenty-four hours or cease running their cars over the bridge. This is the bridge which caused all the trouble for the council over the bridge fund handled by the county commissioners. Councilman Folk being of the opinion that a new bridge should be erected there before the street paving is completed. The street paving is about to be commenced.

THAW NOT WANTED
AT THIS HOSPITAL

Middleton, N. Y., May 27.—Harry K. Thaw, the slayer of Stanford White, is not wanted in the Middleton town hospital. It has been stated Thaw was likely to be transferred from Matteawan criminal insane hospital to the Middleton town hospital. An official of the latter institution said today that if Thaw was sent here he would have to be given the same liberty as other patients who are not violent and he believed this would be a dangerous proceeding. He also thought it would establish a bad precedent, as the regular hospitals were not designed to care for criminal insane.

CINCINNATI

Likely be Headquarters
of Secretary Taft if
He is Nominated

BRO. CHARLES TALKS

Cincinnati, May 27.—Charles P. Taft, brother of Secretary Taft, today printed the following statement in his paper regarding the secretary's campaign headquarters plans:

"In the event that Secretary Taft is nominated for president which is conceded by nearly all the influential men in the Republican party as a foregone conclusion, the secretary will have his personal headquarters in Cincinnati. All the details for this have not been decided upon, nor, of course, will they until after the convention at Chicago has spoken. But it has been settled that if he be the nominee he will make his home at the residence of Charles P. Taft, on Pike street, and his campaign headquarters in the Sinton hotel.

"The tentative arrangements don't contemplate Secretary Taft coming to Cincinnati until about September, nor will the headquarters in the Sinton be opened until that time. The action will be taken with the thorough understanding and only on approval of the Republican national campaign committee and does not in any way affect the regular campaign headquarters. Secretary Taft's decision is merely in line with his desire to be in his home city during the campaign, which will decide whether the next president of the United States will be a Cincinnati.

When asked further as to his brother's plans in this connection, Editor Taft said:

"I am not at all certain that the national committee would be satisfied with Secretary Taft so far away from New York during the campaign. Of course he will be governed by the wishes of the committee. He will spend his vacation in Canada as usual this summer. He will probably, if he takes a period of rest, at all, spend a short time along the New England coast."

Go with Grocers and Butchers' Excursion to Cleveland, June 4. W. & L. E. R. R. Fare \$1.00. Leave Canton 7 a. m., returning leave Cleveland 7:30 p. m.

Sebring-Postmaster H. M. Lockins says village is now around class office.

THREE FAT JOBS
ARE SOON LIKELY
TO BE FILLED

Columbus, O., May 27.—Before the close of the present week it is expected that Governor Harris will have made three important state appointments. The terms of both State Fire Marshal D. S. Creamer and State Printing Supervisor J. W. Johnson expire on the last day of this month and the term of M. D. Hatchford as state commissioner of labor statistics expired some time before the adjournment of the legislature. For the appointment as state fire marshal it is generally guessed that W. S. Rodgers, of Cleveland, the commander of the Ohio G. A. R., will land that appointment. Colonel Rodgers and Harlan H. Hillenbeck, of Chardon, are the leading candidates for the place. If Rodgers does not get the place Hillenbeck will.

The leading candidate for supervisor of state printing seems to be John W. Sullivan of Auglaize county. There is one other prominent candidate for the appointment, A. W. Farnshell, of Eaton. He is now in charge of the printing outfit at the state prison. Though hailing from the home of Governor Harris, Farnshell does not seem to stand very well with him and for that reason his appointment is not expected by those who understand the situation.

The friends of M. D. Hatchford have about ceased working in his interests so far as the governor made it known to them that it would be useless to ask him to give Mr. Hatchford another term. Whom the governor has in mind for the place is not known. Wm. T. Lewis, who held the office under Governor McKinley, is a candidate, but it is not believed that he can land the place.

MARRIAGES

A. Other Contracts
Made Before Alleged
Illegally Elected
Justices Stand

JUSTICE BLAKE TALKS

"There is no use talking about the legal business transacted in my office being invalid," said Justice of the Peace Blake, after he had heard that former Justice Spidle would make a demand for the office of justice of the peace now held by Justice Sibila in Massillon, "for our best attorneys say that everything will stand. Even if I am not entitled to hold the office it will make no difference as to the work done in the past, for I am working under a commission from the governor of Ohio. As long as this commission is not revoked I will be a justice of the peace and will transact what business comes before me. Of course if my commission is revoked I will have to step down and out and will do it gracefully and former Justice Bowman would again be given his place, but this depends upon the decision of the courts."

Justice Bowman, it is understood, will await the outcome of the Spidle case before he commences any action and if the decision is that he is the justice until 1910 he will take the office again.

Former Justice John F. Spidler made the same contention when Justice Bothwell succeeded him, but he had already given up his commission and closed his office when Justice Bothwell took his place. As the question arose as to the legality of marriages and other work performed by justices elected last fall and commenced their duties January 1 of the present year, it can now be safely said that every act of the justice is regarded as legal, for a court decision has been rendered in cases of this kind.

In case the decision of the courts is in favor of Spidle and he is given Sibila's place as justice, Captain Blake says that he will have nothing else to do but hope for a re-election at the election which will be held in the fall of next year.

FARMER SHOT
IN A QUARREL

Salem, O., May 27.—Farmers in the vicinity south of this city formed a posse and are searching for Lemuel Camp, who, they say, shot his neighbor, Ezra Kelley, Tuesday.

Kelley and Camp quarreled over a lane between their farms. Kelley was shot in the abdomen and right shoulder. Although badly wounded, Kelley grappled with his antagonist and succeeded in taking the revolver from him by main force.

Kelley possibly will die. He was taken to a Cleveland hospital Tuesday evening. Both men own extensive farms.

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SUCCESS

WERE COMMENCEMENT
EXERCISESOf the Aultman Hospital
Nurses' Training SchoolSix Members of Gradu-
ating Class—Prominent
Citizens Interested in
Work Plead For More
Complete Institution.

The annual commencement of the Aultman Hospital Training school was held at the Grand Opera House last night. In the graduating class were Misses Zona Belle King, of Haydenville, O.; Daisy Robinson, Canton; Mary Hershell, Canton; Mary Stricker, Canton; Annette Greenough, Michigan, and Carrie Meyers, Akron. These six young ladies have finished their three years' course in the training school and last night received their diplomas.

The opera house was filled to the doors with personal friends of the graduates and those interested in the noble work of the hospital. The exercises were impressive throughout and the young ladies who have reached the goal sought for the past three years were the recipients of the good wishes of every person in the audience.

The stage of the theatre presented a beautiful sight with its flowers and the nurses in their white caps and aprons, significant of their profession. On the stage also were the Women's Auxiliary of the hospital and the medical staff of the hospital.

Judge Henry W. Harter acted as chairman and introduced the speakers of the evening. The exercises were opened with a march, during which the graduating class and the nurses in the lower classes filed on the stage. As soon as they were seated Rev. C. W. Kirkby delivered a fervent invocation for the blessing of the Almighty on the noble work in which the young ladies were engaged and for the richest blessing on those who had dedicated their lives to the relief of suffering humanity.

Judge Harter made a few remarks in which he called the attention to four pressing needs of the hospital; namely the need of an operating room, an independent heating plant separate from the building, a fever house in which patients suffering from contagious fever could be kept and a cottage for the use of the nurses. Judge Harter is president of the board of trustees of the hospital and spoke eloquently of the pressing need, saying that with the four things mentioned Canton would have a hospital second to none in the country.

Dr. Frank Gavin was introduced. He read an interesting paper on "Nurses and Nursing," in which he extolled the Aultman corps of nurses and the splendid results they obtained at the hospital. He assailed the teachings of Christian Science in the treatment of diseases in bitter terms, stating that thousands were dying from the effects or rather the neglect of treatment by those embracing that faith. Dr. Gavin as president of the medical board of the hospital.

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ADAMS CASE HARD
NUT TO CRACK

Prosecuting Attorney Upham said yesterday, in speaking of the investigation into the death of John Adams at the Massillon hospital, that he had not conferred with Acting Coroner Bothwell since that official concluded his examination of witnesses and could not say, therefore, just what his action might be. He stated that he would take whatever action the evidence collected by the acting coroner warranted as he was determined to do all that he could to bring the guilty persons, if there were any, to justice. The prosecutor said, however, that there was a great difference between having grounds for an investigation and evidence enough to convict for manslaughter or some more serious crime.

The prosecutor said that he thought the state board which is in charge of the hospital should at once take steps to make a thorough investigation and that in such an event he would render all the aid in his power in case he might be called on. He doubted, however, whether anything could be accomplished by a grand jury investigation of the matter for the simple reason, that proof that would go with a jury would be so nearly impossible to get. However, there will be no line of procedure mapped out until the prosecutor and acting coroner have conferred and then if the facts seem to warrant action by the county authorities and evidence is at hand it is more than likely that some summary action will be taken.

BULLET ENDS
TROUBLES OF
YOUNG LOVER

Millersburg, May 27.—The body of Lester Thiel, 18, who tried to kill Iva Hochstetler, 20, because she spurned his attentions, was found Wednesday in the woods near the girl's home in Denton. A bullet hole in the head indicated suicide.

Thiel, after several repulses by the girl, drove to her home Monday evening and invited her to ride with him. She refused. He fired four shots at her as she ran into the shadows of her home porch. One bullet struck her hand.

Thiel abandoned his horse and rig and fled into the woods. A shot was heard shortly afterwards. Citizens hunting the boy to arrest him, came upon the dead body.

HAD TUMOR CUT OUT;
USED NO ANESTHETIC

Ravenna, O., May 27.—Thornton Douthitt, 78, Atwater farmer and a Portage county pioneer, is in the White hospital here, where he had a large tumor removed from his face. The sturdy old farmer refused to take an anesthetic. He never made a sound while the great hole was being dug in his face, and an hour afterward wanted to go home and plant potatoes.

When, as he believed, Samuel J. Tilden was counted out in 1876, he vowed to put no razor to his face until the inauguration of a Democratic president.

He kept his word until Grover Cleveland entered the white house. He then denuded his face, but later let his beard grow because he did not like Grover's policies.

CENTRAL

Fire Engine and Patrol
House Likely to
be Built

BEFORE SUMMER ENDS

That the new Central fire engine house and patrol house building will yet be erected this summer there is but little doubt, for a very satisfactory session was held with two members of the council committee on finance Wednesday night. The meeting was attended by Councilman Williams and August, Safers Dunwoodie, Hall, Talbot, Fielding, Mayor Turnbull and Fire Chief Mesnar. An invitation had been extended to Dr. Folk, the chairman of the finance committee, but he was unavoidably detained at the nurse's graduating exercises at the Grand. The meeting was held in the board's rooms in the patrol house building, where the plans of the five different architects were gone over thoroughly and discussed of two hours.

Mr. Williams is the chief draftsman at the Diebold Safe & Lock company's plant and knows considerable when it comes to the erection of buildings such as the safers wish to erect. He went into every detail with Mr. August and the members of the board and at the conclusion of the meeting he remarked that this building should be erected, no matter at what cost, as the old fire building is unfit for further use.

It was agreed by the members of the board, under whose supervision the building will be erected, that Canton materials would be used whenever possible and that a superintendent should be secured by the board to have charge of the work at all times. The council has already signified its intention of providing a bond issue of \$50,000, but as this is not deemed enough to put up the kind of a building wanted, those members of that body present at the meeting were of the opinion that the whole amount desired could be arranged for in the near future.

All were unanimous in one thing—that the building should be erected in a substantial manner and that provision should be made for the future needs of both the fire and police departments. No plans have yet been adopted by the board, as the members are waiting on the council to take some decisive action in regard to the finances. If something is not done soon the firemen will ask that the old building be patched up so as to make it safe, which will cost considerable money. The board deems that this would be a worthless expenditure of the people's money.

Thursday, June 4th, fare \$1.00. W. & L. E. R. R. Grocers and Butchers' Excursion to Cleveland. Leave Canton 7 a. m.

NOTICE.
THE MORNING NEWS WILL BE ON SALE EVERY MORNING AT THE ARCADE, MEYERS LAKE, COTTAGERS AT THE PARK. DESIRING THIS PAPER WILL LEAVE ORDERS THERE.

Alliance—Blind tigers are found in Mahoning county and of city.

EPISCOPAL

RESIDENCES CAUSE
ARGUMENTMany Disputes to Their
Location ExpectedRadical Changes Are
Recommended in the
Methods of Support
of Old Ministers and
Other Financial Matter.

Baltimore, May 27.—The fixing the Episcopal residence came up today in the Methodist general conference and the anticipated protracted discussion was begun. It will come up again tomorrow morning and will be finally settled upon after both sides have had their full say. Numerous changes in the plan reached by the committee on episcopacy will be suggested. One of these cropped out today in the shape of a three cornered fight on the part of the delegates from Los Angeles, Detroit and Philadelphia to have a bishop located in one of those cities.

Along with residents in Boston, Buenos Ayers, Buffalo, Chattanooga, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, Foo Chow (China), New Orleans, New York, Oklahoma City, Portland, Ore., St. Louis, Omaha, St. Paul, San Francisco, Washington, D. C., Zurich, (Switzerland) and Peking, China, the committee recommended that a bishop be located in Philadelphia where a bishop has been located for many years. The report was made by Dr. J. M. Buckley, chairman.

After waiting for comment to be made on the recommendations, Dr. Buckley, the chairman, explained the reasons of the committee in fixing a residence at New Orleans, and then moved the adoption of the report. This was the signal for the fight to begin. Dr. Alvah W. Watkinson, of Los Angeles, precipitated the discussion by moving the substitution of Los Angeles in place of Philadelphia. Then Dr. Samuel Dickie of Washington moved to substitute Detroit. A hot discussion was followed by an adjournment without action.

By the adoption of the report of the committee on conference claimants the conference practically revolutionized the present system of providing funds to meet the needs of retired ministers.

Two radical changes especially are recommended by the committee and will go into effect next year. The first of these is the creation of an annuity system by which all ministers who have been retired are to be compensated according to their length of service, the amount they are to receive being equal to at least one-half of the average salary of a minister of the Methodist church. The second change relates to the substitution of what in the future will be known as the "connectional fund," for the present unsatisfactory method of collecting money to meet all claimants' demands. The new system provides that the collections from the rich and more influential churches can be used to make up any deficiency that may exist among the weaker and poorer churches.

By an almost unanimous vote the delegates decided to change the constitution so that the time for meeting might in the future be the first of May instead of the first Wednesday in May.

TWO MEN DIE
IN EXPLOSION

Seville, O., May 27.—Frank Sawyer and John Rowe were killed in an explosion in the new shaft at Osborne Coal Co., two miles here, Wednesday. Skinner went to the rescue of other men when the explosion occurred and lost his life.

Wesley Wright was terribly burned and probably will die. Ed. Lewis, descending in the cage at the time of the explosion was blown 30 feet from the shaft mouth and escaped with a broken ankle.

See New York and Cleveland play ball, Thursday, June 4th, Grocers and Butchers' Excursion to Cleveland. Leave Canton 7 a. m., returning leave Cleveland 7:30. W. & L. E. R. R.

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